

Town of Reading 16 Lowell Street Reading, MA 01867-2683

PUBLIC WORKS 781-942-9076

REBATE PROGRAM HOTLINE 781-942-0050

Website: www.ci.reading.ma.us

WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM Rebate Program Guidelines

- 1. Rebates are available for the following items:
 - a. High-Efficiency (HE) Clothes Washers \$200 per washer. See list for qualifying models.
 - b. Ultra Low-Flush Toilet (1.6 gallons per flush maximum). Rebates are available for purchases, permits, and installation costs, up to \$120 per toilet.
 - c. Moisture sensor for irrigation system up to \$25 per sensor.
- 2. Only customers of the Town of Reading are eligible for a rebate.
- 3. Only fixtures and equipment that meet qualifying standards and are purchased and installed on or after July 1, 2003 are eligible for a rebate.
- 4. Toilets MUST replace a non-water saving toilet (3.5 or more gallons per flush) to be eligible for a rebate.
- 5. Toilets purchased and installed in new construction projects or room additions do not qualify for a rebate. Also, replacing an existing ultra low-flush model with another does not qualify for the rebate.
- 6. All new toilet installations require a plumbing permit from the Town. Permit applications are available on the website at http://www.ci.reading.ma.us/forms-and-applications.htm
- 7. All rebate applications must include as proof of purchase: an original, unaltered and dated sales receipt with brand and model number on the receipt. A copy of the approved plumbing permit application must accompany rebate applications for low-flush toilets.
- 8. Fixtures and equipment must be installed in a property in the Town of Reading, whose owner and/or resident is a customer of the Town of Reading Water Department.
- 9. Participants agree to an installation verification visit by the Reading Department of Public Works or its agent. If no approved fixture/equipment is found at the verification site visit, the rebate application will be denied.
- 10. As required by the IRS, the Town will issue an IRS form 1099 to those customers receiving rebates of \$600 or more per calendar year.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR A REBATE

- 1. Purchase and install one or more of the qualifying water conservation fixtures/equipment.
- 2. Complete and return the application and documentation to the **Town of Reading**, **Department of Public** Works, 16 Lowell Street, Reading, MA, 01867, Attn: Water Conservation Program.
- 3. Enclose original receipts along with the application and a copy of the plumbing permit for toilet rebates. Incomplete applications will be returned to the customer resulting in delay of rebate processing.
- 4. A site visit will be scheduled to verify the installation of fixtures.
- 5. Rebate checks will be sent within 4-8 weeks of receipt, approval of completed application and verification by a site visit.
- 6. Rebates will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, until funds run out or the program terminates, whichever comes first.

For questions or clarification regarding the rebate program, please call the **REBATE PROGRAM HOTLINE at 781-942-0050.**